

## Today's News - February 14, 2005

ArcSpace brings us Gehry and Vitruvius. – We lose a master dedicated to healing devastated urban neighborhoods. – A not-so-glowing ode to Philip Johnson: "a product of wealth, good connections, and media savvy." – This week, London shows off (but can it pull off?) its Olympic dreams (it's New York's turn next week). – Big plans for an old public housing project in Toronto - but are they the right plans? – Big plans for Edinburgh and Belfast draw thumbs-up and thumbs-down. – Time for Mumbai to reclaim its waterfront. – Hard to tell if Trump's Chicago spire will inspire - no one has seen the drawings. – An old warehouse in Hoboken has green dreams. – An Oregon university project is a lesson in the beauty of frugality. – A new Holocaust museum in Jerusalem "of unusual boldness." – A museum in Baden-Baden is close to perfect. – Columbia's Dean of the Graduate School of Architecture weighs in on the new MoMA: "subservient yet elegant good manners" not something to celebrate. – Calatrava feted with AIA Gold Medal in D.C. – Timeline of winning the eBay bid for rare Taliesin photographs (rebate included). – Happy Valentine's Day!

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[Obituary: Karl Linn, Architect of Urban Landscapes, 81: ...created opulent spaces...but abandoned the work to spend the rest of his career building community gardens in devastated urban neighborhoods](#)- New York Times

[Style Is Never Enough: Philip Johnson was a stylist, and not a very good one at that...how depressing it is that an architect of such meager talent was, ironically, one of the most publicly recognizable.](#) By Michael J. Crosbie- Hartford Courant (Connecticut)

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[The big fix: 7,500 people will be uprooted and \\$1 billion spent on Regent Park's remake. But plans for mixed housing are sending out mixed signals](#)- Toronto Star

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[A huge development plan aimed at transforming Belfast has been slammed by a leading city architect for lacking a "design vision" and coming too late.](#) - Barrie Todd/Todd Architects- BD/Building Design (UK)

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[Hoboken turns green: Developer gets approval for city's first 'sustainable architecture' project; will convert \[80-year-old warehouse\] 'Coconut Building'](#) - SHoP Architects; Buro Happold; Dean Marchetto Architects [image]- Hoboken Reporter

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[Israel Dares to Recast a Story Set in Stone: 10 years in the making, Yad Vashem opens a new Holocaust History Museum, a \\$56 million project of unusual boldness... - Moshe Safdie \[images\]- New York Times](#)

[Windows of Opportunity at A German Museum: The Richard Meier-designed public home for a private art collection \[in Baden-Baden\] comes as close to perfect as I can imagine a building to be.](#) By Benjamin Forgey- Washington Post

[The 425 Million Steps from Intimacy to Elegance: While savoring the return of \[MoMA's\] wonderful collection...this is not a moment to celebrate architecture for its capacity to maintain subservient yet elegant good manners.](#) By Mark Wigley - Yoshio Taniguchi [images]- Artforum

[American Architects Honor A Man of Grand Designs: Santiago Calatrava defies classification...compellingly deserves the \[Gold Medal\] award he received...from the American Institute of Architects.](#) By Benjamin Forgey- Washington Post

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